

## Hammond Asks For "Flood of Letters"

WESTFIELD--State Senator George D. Hammond of Westfield today called for a "flood of letters" to state legislators from individuals and interested organizations demanding passage of his bill, Senate 524, which would take final authority for highway billboard installations away from the Outdoor Advertising Board "and place that authority with the Commonwealth's cities and towns where it belongs."

Senator Hammond said the bill "now seems destined to face the same fate that befell it last year --slow death in committee," and he said only "a strong expression of interest" by the voters can return it to legislative attention.

"I am asking the people--not just those in my district, but those throughout the entire area --to write to their state senators and their representatives insisting that they support the bill and act to bring it before the Legislature for a vote. The men and women in the Legislature are responsive to the wishes of their constituents and if they receive enough letters they will take action."

Senator Hammond's bill would prevent the Outdoor Advertising Board from granting a permit for the erection of a billboard or a sign without the prior approval of the city or town in which the billboard was to be erected. At the present time the state board may grant the permit regardless of the wishes of city or town officials.

The Hampden-Berkshire District legislator said he strongly believes that "communities should have the right to determine whether--and what--billboards shall be erected within their boundaries. This is strictly a home rule decision and ought to be treated as such."

Senator Hammond has received the support of such organizations as the Hampden County Selectmen's Association, the Massachusetts Roadside Council, conservation commissions, and others, in his effort to win passage of the anti-billboard legislation.

## HOSAGA INDIANS TO BE AT CAMP SHOW

A highlight of the fifth annual Springfield Camping and Outdoor Show which will be held March 10-12 at the Better Living Center on the Eastern States Exposition grounds in West Springfield will be the appearance of the Hosaga Indians of Springfield College.

A wide variety of authentic Indian dances and ceremonials will be presented by the tribe whose members are colorfully garbed in costumes they have made themselves in the manner of the Plains Indians. Included in the program, which will be presented eight times during the three-day show, are the spectacular fire dance and the hoop dance, which was accepted by the Indians as proof of great agility and skill.

The Hosaga was founded in 1947 with Professor F. Edgar Hubbard as advisor and has included successive generations of Springfield College students who are interested in Indian lore as a hobby. They have traveled widely furthering interest in the "First Americans" and, at the same time, developing an endowed scholarship at the college.

## SCHOLARSHIP EXAM AT SR. HIGH SAT.

Mr. David Skolnick, Guidance Director of Agawam High School, wants to remind all juniors that the Merit Scholarship Test will be given this Saturday, February 25th, at 8 a.m. at the Senior High School.

Please bring with you, at least two No. 2 pencils, tickets and test booklets.

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Mankind is entering a strange and frightful era. Hardly noticeable at first, its effects are insidious enough to change the accumulated aesthetics of civilization. For our success at creating and manufacturing, has also made us expert at making greater quantities and finer qualities of longer lasting junk. Therefore, if we become more accustomed to discarding everything from containers to automobiles, we shall soon find ourselves in the dilemma of a Junk Age.

Beer bottles were once used again and again: now you can find bottles and tins along the roadways, just as good and shiny as when tossed there a year or more ago. The old wagon once rotted and disappeared gracefully in the farm lot, but that Model A that Junior stripped for parts, will remain unrotting as an accepted monument to the Junk Age. Even cigarettes that used to burn themselves out in the grass, now remain with filters that last for years and become part of the American tapestry of trash.

The fact that we now accept junk as part of the modern scene, is evident by analyzing the signs and buildings along our highways. Even modern sculpture is now largely made from welded iron junk, and painters find that "commentary art" showing scenes of ghettos, junk yards and roadside ugliness outsells the "pretty" country landscape. "So-called beautiful scenes," say the galleries, "are out of style. The world isn't pretty, and the artist must be truthful."

We have always buried garbage, but there comes a time when space is scarce. We dump our sewers into rivers, but after awhile there must be more filth than river. When we saw our rivers become rivers of filth rather than rivers of water, we began making factories curb their waste: but there are only so many rivers while each day another factory is added. And each factory manufactures what will become tomorrow's junk.

You can see airliner contrails in the sky which are soon consumed by atmosphere, but tomorrow's airliners will fly in the stratosphere where there is less air. Exhausts will then spume out clouds that will hang in stratospheric suspension lasting for months, and each transoceanic round trip will add to the practically permanent cloud ceiling. Yet only meteorologists are alarmed at the possible results. The junk-laden atmosphere below, is already like our rivers; pools of junk gases periodically form aerial junk-yards of smog.

Old-time containers were saved for future uses, but now we consider ourselves so rich that even the best container becomes junk the second it is empty. The American town dump has now reached a new dignity, with "office hours" and a registered dump-master on every town salary list. The fact that home owners all over the country are fighting to zone out automobile graveyards and junk dumps, indicates that these eyesores are actually threatening living space, and lessening the value of home sites. The Junk Age, therefore, is not in the distant future but right at our door-step.

Perhaps reaching the moon might prove to be useful after all. We might find space so scarce, that we could shoot our junk up there to make room for our exploded population. But just think what a lot of junk will be in orbit by then! It all reminds me of the stables that were never cleaned: After a while there was more dung than there were horses. But dung makes good fertilizer, and tin cans and glass bottles and plastic boxes wouldn't grow a thing.

## Dynias Celebrate 25th Anniversary



MR. and MRS. TED DYNIA

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Dynia, of 468 Springfield Street, Agawam, observed their 25th wedding anniversary Tuesday, February 14th. They were married at Holy Cross Polish National Catholic

Church in Thompsonville in 1942. They moved to Agawam in 1950. They have four children, Emily Cecchi of Feeding Hills, Richard, a senior at Agawam High; Lynn Marie, a sophomore at Agawam



Front Row, l. to r.: Carol Goodwin, 1st; Bonnie Toranni, 2nd; Betty Kozikowski, 3rd. Back Row, l. to r.: Julie Kozikowski, Janice Gray, Ann Liptak, Lynn Bierschied, all honorable mention.

## "Oklahoma" Poster Contest Winners

Poster Contest won by Carol Goodwin and Mary Tourville

The announcement of the 1967 Oklahoma Poster Contest winners by Miss Geraldine Schilling, Agawam High School art teacher, culminated many weeks of careful planning and hard work by all

127 art students who entered their posters.

First place winner in the Best Paste-Up Poster Category went to Carol Goodwin, a sophomore. Second place went to Bonnie Toranni and third place to Betty Kozikowski. Honorable mention was given to the poster done by Julie Kozikowski, Janice Gray, Ann Liptak and Lynn Bierschied.

Best Poster Paint Poster prize went to Mary Tourville; second place was awarded to Allen Edwards and third was won by Gamma Meyer. Honorable mention in this category was received by Karen Kimball, Bill Barker, Christine Merchant and Norma White.

Judges were Mrs. Dorothy Eggleston and Mr. Darcy Davis.

## BATTLE OF THE BANDS

On Feb. 24, the Agawam Jaycees will have a "Battle of the Bands" at the Agawam Armory from 7-11 p.m.

There will be eight bands in the contest; the first place band will go to Greenfield in March to the area finals. The first place band in the area finals will go to the State finals. This contest is a nation-wide event, sponsored by all Jaycee chapters throughout the country.

The Co-chairmen for this event are Ronald Carroll, and James Babcock, who are helped by committeemen Richard Handy, John Lawrie, and Steven Tesny. Also available is Charles Brantley, the group adviser.

The judges for the contest will be two professional bandsmen and one teenager, who is the winner of the Jaycee Essay Contest.

High; and Joseph, in the 8th grade in the Junior High. They also have three grandchildren.

Sunday, February 12th, after a special Mass, the following guests attended a family party at the home of Ted and Helen Dynia. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Dynia of Hazardville, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kokofsky of Thompsonville, Fire Chief and Mrs. Furey of Thompsonville, Mr. Ted Zimowski of Windsor Locks, Mrs. Katherine O'Bram, Thomas O'Bram, Stanley Kot, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kot, Mrs. Stanley Stolica and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Zebrowski, all of Thompsonville. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dynia, parents of Ted.

Ted Dynia is a charter member of the Polish American Club of Feeding Hills, is a member of the Agawam Lions Club and was a member of the Housing Board for five years and the Agawam Planning Board for 4-1/2 years. He was also active in Cub Scouting and the Parent Teacher Association.

Ted has been with the A&P Tea Company for 20 years and is presently working in Westfield. Mrs. Dynia works for John H. Breck.

## Mrs. Mesick Is Heart Sunday Chairman For Feeding Hills

FEEDING HILLS -- Mrs. Ronald E. Mesick of 20 Oak Lane has been appointed Heart Sunday chairman for her community by Dr. A. A. Bloniarz of Springfield, president of Western Chapter, Massachusetts Heart Association.

A housewife, Mrs. Mesick has previously served as a solicitor for Heart Fund and is also interested in the Hampden County Association for Retarded Children.

As Heart Sunday chairman, Mrs. Mesick will conduct the house-to-house canvass on Feb. 26, the climax of the February fund drive.

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## Posted Speed Laws Should Be Obeyed

Many of Massachusetts' drivers believe it is perfectly safe and "within the rules" to exceed posted speed limits by between five and ten miles an hour.

They are wrong.

In a new manual of procedures for speed zoning in the process of being mailed to appropriate municipal officials, the Massachusetts Department of Public Works stresses that "the posted limits represent the maximum safe speed under the best driving conditions." In other words, even under minimal adverse driving conditions--fog, drizzle, darkness, or what have you--you should as a responsible driver, reduce speed.

As outlined in the new DPW manual of speed zoning, the basic speed law of Massachusetts is described as follows: "No person operating a motor vehicle on any way shall run it at a rate of speed greater than is reasonable and proper, having regard to traffic and the use of the way and the safety of the public."

State Public Works Commis-

sioner Edward J. Ribbs amplifies the fundamental caution by saying: "Drivers should always bear in mind that no matter how many lanes our highways have or how straight they might be, driving at higher speeds than those posted can be a great hazard to the vehicle and the driver. The safe driver will always bear in mind that because of the ever-increasing volume of motor vehicles and miles travelled, the aim of highway designers and traffic engineers is to get you on and off the highway as quickly and safely as possible."

Commissioner Ribbs went on to say that automatically assuming one can safely exceed the posted limit by even a few extra miles per hour can impede the smooth flow of traffic as well as result in collisions. The ideal situation in terms of safety and traffic flow develops when all vehicles travel at approximately the same speed; a phenomenon which occurs in properly zoned areas.

Although present speeds might appear unrealistically low to some of the speed demons who use our roads, each posted speed limit is not the result of someone going out and saying "this looks like a place where 40 miles an hour should be about right" and then putting up a sign proclaiming that judgement. Rather, each

posted speed limit is the result of painstaking, comprehensive engineering study at locations where speed control is considered necessary. The study measures prevailing speeds under varying conditions so an adequate range of speed can be determined for each class of road user. The speed at or below which 85 per cent of the motorists travel is the principal formula used for establishing controls. This method presumes that the majority of motorists are prudent and capable of selecting safe speeds.

In addition to observations of driver habits, the posted speed limits are based upon such factors as sight distances, grades and grade separations, banking on curves, and the general nature of the roadway itself.

Since the speed limits to be posted are the maximum for normal driving, the DPW makes its surveys and observations only when weather and road conditions are ideal. The speeds of from 50 to 100 vehicles are noted in each sampling and from 10 to 20 samplings may be taken--dependent upon volume and types of traffic.

Surveys to establish speed zones are not a hit and miss proposition, as previously pointed out. On State highways the DPW initiates action for zoning when deemed necessary; sometimes acting on a request from the Registry of Motor Vehicles. Frequently, when individual municipalities lack the "expertise" to survey and establish adequate posting of speed limits, the State DPW will assist local officials in making the study. However, any resulting speed regulations are those of the community involved, even though subject to approval by the DPW.

More often than not, speed zoning has had a marked effect in lowering accident rates. In the final analysis, though, the best speedometer is the prudent driver who has learned you just can't "steal" that extra five or ten miles over the posted speed limit.

One should have relatives over occasionally. In fact, it's the best way.

No one has ever complained about his parachute not opening.

## License Plate Transfer Legal Only Under Certain Conditions

"Many dealers and young persons purchasing automobiles are laboring under the misapprehension that they may transfer registration plates from one vehicle to another new vehicle for two days," Registrar Richard E. McLaughlin stated today.

"Such a transfer may take place ONLY, I repeat, ONLY under very special circumstances --

1. The person doing the transferring must be 21 years of age or over AND

2. He must intend to transfer the registration to the newly acquired vehicle AND

3. The newly acquired vehicle must be of the same type i.e., truck OR passenger car and have the same number of wheels AND

4. He must lose possession of his original vehicle AND

5. The original registration plates must be attached to the new vehicle AND

6. The operator of the new vehicle must carry an original copy of the Bill of Sale quoting the registration number OR he must carry a Certificate of Transfer issued by the dealer on an approved form.

"If ALL of the above requirements are met, the newly acquired vehicle may display the registration from the transferred vehicle until five o'clock p.m. of the second registry business day following the date of transfer within the same calendar year.

"With the automobile purchasing season nearly upon us, I am stressing this law so that no young persons will become innocent victims because of ignorance of the

law and find themselves brought into court for being illegally on the highways."

## Swimming Instruction Classes

Registrations are now being taken for swimming instruction classes to be held starting on Saturday, February 25th at the West Springfield Y.M.C.A. Pool. These classes will run 10 weeks and parents must register with the Agawam Y.M.C.A. Office before that day. To register call the "Y" Office, 108 Perry Lane, Agawam. Since classes will be kept limited, parents must register on a first come, first serve basis. Registrations will not be taken on the first day of class.

## DID YOU KNOW SEEDS ON SNOW

Now is the time for outdoor gardeners to get a jump on spring by sowing annuals indoors -- on porches, in sunny windows or, if especially fortunate, in a greenhouse of your own. For those who don't enjoy stumbling over flats while getting dressed in the morning, the old shortcuts are still available, like planting seeds on snow. Decide where you wish annuals like larkspur and poppy to raise their heads, mark out these areas on the snow and sprinkle the seeds. Melting snow will carry the seeds down into the soil. They will germinate during the first mild weather.

News dispatches from London state "... 800 hospital doctors are ready to emigrate in search of higher salaries and better conditions. Emigration on such a scale could deal a blow to Britain's state-run health service."

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Salaries range from \$6,451 per year for those who hold a bachelor's degree and have one year of qualifying experience or have five years experience or five years of some combination of the two, to \$9,221 per year for those who have at least 7 years in some combination of appropriate experience and education.

Applicants who qualify on the basis of experience alone or a combination of experience and education must pass a subject matter test in library science.

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## SCHOOL MENUS

FEB. 27 - MAR. 3

### PHELPS SCHOOL

MON: juice, gr. frank, on but, roll, rel. & must., pot. stix, but. gr. bns., fr. pear. TUES: tom. soup, ch. ham sand, car. stix, or. wedg., but. cook. WED: ov. fr. chick., mash. pot., but. broc., b&b, apple. THURS: gr. hamb, on but. bun, on sl. & rel. cand. sw. pot., apsau, cake. FRI: juice, tost. ch. sand., but. peas & corn, choc. cake.

### GRANGER SCHOOL

MON: gr. frank, on but, bun, pot. chips, rel. & must., 7 min. cab., apsau. TUES: juice, piz, w/tom, & ch. sau., tos. sal. pean. but. cook, fr. pear. WED: Yankee pot roast, mash. pot., but. car., hot but. corn br., cit. fr. cup. THURS: spag. w/meat & tom. sau., but. gr. bns., rye br. & but., peach. FRI: bkd. fish stix, catsup, pars. pot., wh. kern. corn, Vien. b&b, choc. cake.

### PEIRCE SCHOOL

MON: meat rav. w/tom. & meat sau., but. car. pean. but. sand., purp. plums. TUES: bkd. lunch. meat, mash. sw. pot., but. gr. bns., ice box cook. WED: roast beef in br. gry. wh. pot., but. leaf spin. pean. but. sand., fr. jel. w/top. THURS: piz. burg., car. stix, ch. cube pean. but. sand., fresh pears. FRI: or. juice, ov. fr. fish cakes, bkd. bns., Harv. beets, hot rais. corn bread, peaches.

### DANAHY SCHOOL

MON: tom. rice soup, sl. meat sand., car. stix, pean. but. cook, fr. fruit. TUES: or. juice, hamb. & roll w/cat., but. corn, prune sp. cake w/top. WED: bkd. lasag. w/meat & tom. sau., ch. wed., but. gr. bns., Vien. b/w/b., cit. fr. cup. THURS: mash. pot., roast beef w/gry., but. broc., b&b, purp. plums. FRI: juice, tuna fish sand., ov. fr. pot., tos. sal., cake square.

### SO. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MON: or. juice, frank, on but, roll, must. & rel. but. vege., fr. cup. TUES: chick. w/gry on mash. pot., cranbry. sau., but. broc., pean. but. w/hon. on rye, pear hal. WED: juice, open beef sand. w/gry., but. gr. bns., car. stix, ch. wed., ap. crisp. THURS: bkd. mac. w/meat & tom. sau., fr. slaw sal., but. Vien. br., peach hal. FRI: cit. juice, tom. soup w/orack., ch. ham sal. on rye, pean. but. sand., cel. stix, fr. cup, cookie.

### ROBINSON PARK SCHOOL

MON: juice, meat ball grind, w/sau., but. car., ch. stix, cit. fr. TUES: ov. bkd. chick., sw. pot., but. broc., b&b, cranbry. sau., ice cr. WED: or. juice, frank, on but, roll, must. & rel. but. corn, pot. stix, yel. cake w/pineap. top. THURS: el. mac. w/meat & tom. sau., ABC sal., Fr. b&b, fr. FRI: cit. juice, piz, w/ch. sau., pean. but. sand., hot but. vege., dessert.

### JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

MON: juice, grind., (sl. meat, tom., let. & ch.), pick, pot. chips, fr. pear. TUES: ov. fr. chick., mash. pot., but. broc., jel. w/top. WED: juice, hamb. on bun, but. car., sl. peach, oatmeal cook., pean. but. sand. THURS: juice, spag. w/meat balls, cab. & car. sal., ap. crisp, b&b. FRI: juice, tuna sal. sand., Fr. fries, tos. sal., but. cake w/choc. sauce.

## Polish American 5th Mardi Gras March 4



Pictured are members of the decorations committee for the 5th Annual Mardi Gras of the Polish American Auxiliary to be held March 4 at the Polish American Club on Southwick Street. Smorgasbord from 6:30 to 8:00, followed by dancing until midnight.

General chairman is Mrs. Victor Kozikowski, assisted by president and honorary chairman, Mrs. Frank Labun. Other chairmen are: supper, Mrs. Al Juzba; decorations, Mrs. Stanley Dymon; prizes and pinata, Mrs. Joseph Voislow; and tickets, Mrs. Eric Daubitz.

Theme is "The Farmer in the Dell" mardi gras. Costumes, if possible, are requested.

Others working on committees are: Mrs. Alfred Graziano, Mrs. Frank Coupas, Mrs. William Delano, Mrs. John Labun, Mrs. Michael Demko, Mrs. John Liptak, Mrs. Bert Presz, Mrs. Joseph Sliva, Mrs. Rose Dymerski, and Mrs. Genevieve Drzyzga.

### HIGH SCHOOL

MON: or. juice, frank, on roll, pot. chips, pean. but. sand., ging. br. w/top. TUES: shell mac. w/meat sau., cab. & car. sal., b&b, fr. pear. WED: hamb. on roll, cand. sw. pot., but. gr. bns., pean. but. sand., plum upsidown cake w/top. THURS: roast beef in gry., mash. pot., but. broc., hot date muf., choc. cake. FRI: gr. ch. sand., gar. sal. w/spin. grns. pean. but. sand., fruit pie square.

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## Flower Show Offers New Prize

An entirely new prize will join the list of awards to be presented to exhibitors at the 18th Annual Connecticut Valley Flower Show, Feb. 22 to 28 in the Better Living Center, Eastern States Exposition.

Louis Allesio, president of the sponsoring society, announced the trustees of the Connecticut Valley Horticultural Society will award a cup for the most meritorious retail florist exhibit in the show. Mr. Allesio said it will become an annual award.

The additional awards presented each year are: Frank Stanley Beveridge Cup for horticultural excellence; Eastern States Exposition Gold Medal Plaque to an exhibit which stimu-

lates an interest in horticulture; Massachusetts Department of Agriculture, most meritorious floral exhibit in the entire show; and the President's Cup, also presented by the Horticultural Society, for excellence in design.

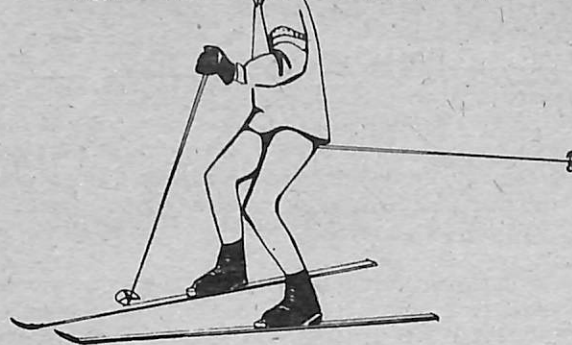
Mr. Allesio said there appears to be more interest in the 18th Annual Flower Show than ever before. He said the theme, "A Gallery of Flowers and Gardens," has generated more imagination among the floral exhibitors in all sections of the show, requiring some to reserve more floor space for their displays.

The president also noted applications are still being accepted from young ladies, 16 years of age and over, for the 16th Annual American Beauty Pageant. Application forms are available from any florist in Connecticut Valley, or directly from the Flower Show, P.O. Box 1275, Springfield, 01101.

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### #11 STEM CHRISTIE

By Ace Manley  
Director, Big Bromley Ski School

The stem christie is an advanced-intermediate turn. It is a rather difficult turn, but one which is most helpful to the advanced skier.

The skier begins in the traverse position. The uphill ski is stemmed with an accompanying down motion, in much the same way as it was in the stem turn.

With an up motion, the weight is transferred to the stemmed outside ski. In order to initiate the change in direction, the inside or downhill ski is brought up parallel with the stemmed ski and advanced to enter the christie phase.

As in the uphill christie, the outside shoulder is brought gradually back and the edges of the skis are re-set with a down motion to finish the turn in a new traverse position.

In practicing the turn, it is important to remember that the skis start turning at the exact moment that the skis are closed or brought parallel to one another. The weight is shifted to the stemmed ski, pressing the knees forward and in the direction of the turn.

After sinking down to set the ski edges at the finish of the turn, the skier rises up slightly with the weight on the new downhill ski.

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## American Legion Auxiliary

By MRS. GLADYS CATCHEPAUGH

### WHERE STARDOM BEGINS

Our National Chairman of Community Service, the service emphasized in March by The American Legion Auxiliary, tells us in the February National News that "the service we give to our community, state and nation can only be fulfilled individually by the good work of our Auxiliary members. We must work together to get the best results. There are so many things we can do to help and make all our problems easier.

"The community, whether it be national, state or our own neighborhood, the emphasis is always at home. If we improve our own neighborhood we become a part of community betterment. So," Dorothy Hughes says, "let's begin at home.

"There are so many opportunities to serve in this program, and since none of us can do everything, let us each find the place where we can best serve - but most important - let's each serve somewhere. The Job and Neighborhood Youth Corps, school programs, recreation and camping programs, blood donations, safety problems, all call for help.

"In the health program if everybody did a little, how much it would mean to those who need help so badly. There are always ways of helping by giving a few hours daily or weekly in clinics or for neighbors or friends who need a helping hand. All this is community service.

"If YOU find a way to help, report it to our Unity Community Service Chairman, Mrs. Irene Goss.

"Just now the Heart Fund Drive looms. The County Chairman of Community Service, Anna Bissonnette, is heading that drive in Agawam this year. Several of our members have agreed to assist. This, too, is community service."

### NOTES

The Auxiliary Juniors and Sons of the Legion will meet under their new officers on Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m., February 26th, in the Legion Home.

The next regular meeting of Unit #185 will be at the Home on March 6th at 8 o'clock. We hope that all of our members who have been ailing will be able to be with us again.

Early March birthdays include Ruth Carr on the 1st and Connie La-Mountain on the 7th. May these days and the coming year be bright for both of them.

### 11th HOUR DECISION

#### AVERTS SANCTIONS

BOSTON - An eleventh-hour decision of the New Bedford School Committee averted action which could have led to the imposition of professional sanctions against the city's school system.

The local school board early today capitulated to the teachers' insistence of including an arbitration clause in the contract being negotiated between the New Bedford Teachers Association and the New Bedford School Committee. The refusal of the school committee to consider third party, impartial arbitration had caused a breakdown in the contract discussions and resulted in an investigation of the teaching conditions in the city by the Massachusetts Teachers Association.

The investigating team had recommended that teachers not consider New Bedford as a place to work and also urged teachers currently employed in the system

to resign in June and seek positions elsewhere. The Executive Committee of the MTA was to have met Thursday in Boston to act on these sanctions recommendations.

According to Joseph A. Letorney, Avon educator and president of the State's largest organization of classroom teachers and school administrators, "The willingness of the New Bedford School Committee to include a meaningful arbitration clause in the contract has given the teachers of New Bedford a reasonable basis for requesting the Massachusetts Teachers Association to set aside any further consideration of invoking sanctions against the school system and I have complied with their wish. The meeting for Thursday has been cancelled and no further action on the recommendations of the MTA's investigating team will be taken at this time."

Letorney added: "It is my firm conviction that the threat of having the New Bedford school system listed as an undesirable community in which to teach was the principal reason for the school committee's refutation of its original position of not allowing the teachers their rights to have grievances arbitrated by a neutral party."

### LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCED

Agawam High School, Agawam, Mass. has been selected by MASS. TRADES SCHOOL, Boston, as one of the New England High Schools qualified to participate in the annual MASS. TRADES SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS.

MASS. TRADES SCHOOL, Boston, Mass., established 1936, and one of the oldest and largest vocational schools in the northeast, has been making these scholarship awards annually since 1963, in order to encourage more high school graduates to enter the vocational fields.

This scholarship, in the amount of \$900.00, represents half-tuition, and will be awarded to one outstanding male graduate, Class of 1967, of Agawam High School, the winner to be determined by members of the high school's own faculty. This scholarship fund may be used by the appointee toward any program of day vocational training, at MASS. TRADES SCHOOL, in his choice of Machinist, Machine and Tool Designer, Draftsman, Electro-Mechanical Draftsman or Radio-Television Serviceman.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the high school's Guidance Division, or by writing directly to the Registrar, Mass. Trades Shops School, 161 High Street, Boston, Mass.

### Dessert Card Party For Our Lady of Providence Children

Miss Helen Loftus, President of the Volunteer Aides of Our Lady of Providence Home for Children, announced today that final plans are being formulated for a dessert card party "Welcome to Spring" to be held at the Home, Riverdale Street, West Springfield, Monday evening, April 3, 1967, beginning at 8:00 p.m.

The funds raised at the card party will be used for special events planned for all the children at Our Lady of Providence Home.

Tickets may be obtained from any member or at the door. Guests are asked to bring their own playing cards.

Committee Chairmen are: General Chairman, Mrs. Robert Brunette; Tickets, Gloria McMullen; Decorations, Mrs. Joseph Corbut; Refreshments, Mrs. Joseph Kellner; Table prizes, Barbara Laughran; Booster prizes, Helen Wells; Door prizes, Gwendelyn Laughran; Home baked bread sales, Mrs. James Dwyer.

### FEDERAL BENEFITS INFO AVAILABLE

The 1967 edition of VA Fact Sheet IS-1, "Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents" is now on sale at the U. S. Government Printing Office in Washington, D. C.

This booklet lists all major benefits available to U. S. veterans, explains eligibility requirements for veterans or

their dependents and describes the nature of the benefits and where application should be made.

A single copy may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 20402 for 20 cents. Organizations or individuals desiring copies in quantity may obtain discount rates.

### Career Conferences Are Scheduled For March

Wednesday, March 1, "Hartford Institute of Accounting - R.J. Lormon, Director of Admissions, Hartford Institute of Accounting, Hartford, Connecticut.

Wednesday, March 8, "General Contracting as a Career" - a film.

Wednesday, March 18, "Career as a Funeral Director" - Mr. Jack Dalton, Agawam, Massachusetts.

Wednesday, March 22, "Youth Opportunity Center" - Mr. Paul Placzek, Employment Counselor, Youth Opportunity Center, Springfield, Massachusetts.

Wednesday, March 29, "Career as a Registered Nurse" - Mrs. Carl W. Sector, registrar, Burbank Hospital School of Nursing, Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

### Auto Makers Find More Excuses For Delays

Possibility that the truck manufacturing industry may be unable to comply with the Massachusetts law requiring dual brakes on hydraulic braked vehicles became apparent yesterday in Boston at a meeting between officials of the Automobile Manufacturers Association and the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

The manufacturers representatives stated that they had not had timely notice of the Massachusetts statute which was enacted in August 1965 and becomes effective for the 1968 model year.

Engineers representing the Association stated that the problem was in development of a dual braking system with sufficient capacity to brake vehicles weighing in excess of five tons and sought Registry assistance in obtaining amendment to exclude the heavy trucks and buses from the dual braking requirement.

Registrar McLaughlin declined to intervene or to offer hope that the Massachusetts law would be amended. He said, "The dual braking system law allowed the industry two years of lead time to provide the required braking systems for the 1968 models."

McLaughlin pointed out that industry representatives had been intimately involved in the drafting and revision of the new law at every step of the process and that there was, in his judgment, no reasonable excuse for delay in developing the required system which, he said, is not required by federal regulation for all passenger cars effective in January, 1968.

McLaughlin said, "We want double brakes--not double standards. It is absurd to require dual brake systems for light weight passenger vehicles and, in the same breath, to say that these are not essential to public safety in the case of the juggernauts of the highway."

### Legal Notices

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
Hampden ss Probate Court  
To all persons interested in the estate of EFFIE TAYLOR late of Agawam, in said County of Hampden, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last WILL of said deceased by DORIS SHAYLOR of said Agawam, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fourth day of March 1967, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of February 1967.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register  
Feb. 23, March 2, 9

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
Hampden ss Probate Court  
To all persons interested in the estate of WILLIAM H. LESTER late of Agawam, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court by ESTHER M. THOMPSON of Holden, in the County of Worcester, and MILTON J. DONOVAN, of Longmeadow, in said County of Hampden, executors of the will of said deceased, praying for authority to adjust by compromise or arbitration a demand against said estate.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fourteenth day of March 1967, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifteenth day of February 1967.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register  
Feb. 23, March 2, 9

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
Hampden ss Probate Court  
To all persons interested in the estate of LUCILLE McMAHON late of Agawam, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that ETHEL L. STEVENS of Boston in County of Suffolk or some other suitable person be appointed administratrix of said estate.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in the County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the tenth day of March 1967, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this second day of February 1967.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register  
Feb. 23, March 2, 9

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
Hampden ss Probate Court  
To all persons interested in a petition for adoption of ROBERT EDWARD GAUTHIER of Agawam, in said County.

A petition has been presented to said Court by EDWIN WENDELL GOSS and PATRICIA PARKER GAUTHIER GOSS his wife of said Agawam, praying for leave to adopt said ROBERT EDWARD GAUTHIER of THEODORE NELSON GAUTHIER of parts unknown, and PATRICIA PARKER GAUTHIER now PATRICIA PARKER GAUTHIER GOSS his former wife, and that the name of said child be changed to ROBERT EDWARD GOSS.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eleventh day of April 1967, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, First Judge of said Court, this thirtieth day of January 1967.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register  
Feb. 16, 23, March 21,

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
Hampden ss Probate Court  
To all persons interested in the estate of ETTA D. SCOTT late of Agawam, in said County of Hampden, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last WILL and Memorandum of said deceased by ETHEL M. HUBACH of West Springfield, in the County of Hampden praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fourth day of February 1967, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirtieth day of January 1967.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register  
Feb. 9, 16, 23.

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